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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

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Herein are the page proofs for Dan Tassi's, The Mind and Time and Space, a book we are extremely pleased to publish this season. Also enclosed is a copy of a newspaper clipping from the San Francisco Examiner dated August 14, 1961 we feel throws new light on the latter part of this work. We are most anxious to obtain advance reviews -- that is, authoritative comments and reactions (we can use as a supplement to the front part of the finished book).

Please let us make it clear that we are not asking for an uncritical, blanket endorsement of the author's views. Naturally, a book of this unusual scope synthesizing such a variety of complex sciences unquestionably is open to diverse opinion. As publishers, we know that no book can be published today that is universally accepted in toto by everyone.

Therefore, comments on any aspect of the book relative to your own interest will be most welcome. If you would like to state your own views on the material or comment on its presentation, do not hesitate to do so. Feel free to write as much or as little as you like. Even a few lines will be appreciated.

Mr. Tassi feels that you have been a champion of liberal thinking and the right to inquire and investigate into the unknown. You will note that your comments about his article: "A Re-evaluation of Jupiter" are included in this book. Because you have done so much research on the possibility of life on the giant planets, he feels your evaluation of this book would be most authoritative.

Because of our early publication schedule and commitments, may we hear from you as soon as possible?

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Very sincerely,

*Jean H. Breig*  
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